[English]

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TABLING OF PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT OF INCREASE

Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of National Health and Welfare): I am making a press announcement today concerning pension increases, and because the matter has been raised in the house I should like to have permission to table a copy of this announcement. The statement is rather detailed and a bit too technical to be made on motions.

Mr. Speaker: Is this agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

FINANCE

TARIFF BOARD REPORT ON REFERENCE RESPECTING PRECISION INSTRUMENTS

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, I have today tabled copies in English and French of the report of the Tariff Board on reference No. 138, which relates to certain precision instruments and apparatus. The tariff items in reference No. 138 cover certain precision instruments, apparatus and tools used in metal working, surveying, prospecting and map making. I have tabled also the transcript of the evidence presented to the board at its public hearings.

I assure the house that the government will be giving detailed study to this report, and that representations from interested parties wishing to comment on the report will receive careful consideration.

Mr. Speaker: Has the minister leave to table this report?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES READJUSTMENT ACT

PROVISION FOR CHANGE IN NAME OF NEW RIDING OF OSHAWA

Hon. Michael Starr (Leader of the Opposition) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. C-165, to amend the Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act.

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Starr: Mr. Speaker, the Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act created a new riding named Oshawa, which consists of two incorporated municipalities. The purpose of

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this bill is to give identification to both municipalities by naming this electoral district Oshawa-Whitby. I ask, Mr. Speaker, that this bill be given consideration during the present session of parliament.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

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(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

RECIPROCAL VOTING ARRANGEMENTS
WITH OTHER COUNTRIES

Question No. 340—Mr. Stanbury:

Of the countries whose citizens are accorded the privilege of voting and seeking election in Canadian federal elections, which ones (a) extend similar privileges to Canadians resident in these countries (b) do not?

Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs): (a) The following countries extend the privilege of voting and standing for election to Canadian citizens: Britain, Australia, New Zealand, Jamaica, Guyana and the West Indies (Associated States): Antigua, St. Vincent, Dominica and St. Lucia. (b) The following countries do not extend these privileges: Malta, Tanzania, India, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Ceylon, Cyprus, Singapore, Pakistan, Zambia, Malaysia, Ireland, Kenya, Ghana, Malawi, South Africa and Lesotho. (c) The following countries permit Canadians to vote only: Trinidad and Tobago and the West Indies (Associated States): St. Christopher-Nevis-Anguilla.

INTEREST PAYMENT ON GOVERNMENTAL DEBTS

Question No. 366-Mr. Mather:

What, in dollars, was the gross interest payment of the federal, provincial and municipal governments of Canada for the fiscal years 1963 and 1964?

Mr. Jean-Charles Cantin (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Trade and Commerce):

Gross interest payments

of federal, provincial and local governments
Fiscal year ending March 31

1963 1964
(thousands of dollars)
Federal 881,597 954,542
Provincial 191,489 218,605
*Local 210,178 239,566
(including municipal, schools and utilities)

Total 1,283,264 1,412,713